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- 11. LEAD STORIES: Front-page stories on Monday morning included a meeting on Sunday between Japanese Foreign Minister Koumura and Chinese State Councilor Dai Bingquo in Beijing.
- 12. "Truth Should Be Disclosed for Ethnic Reconciliation" The conservative Sankei editorialized (8/18): "Proceedings began at the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia against former Bosnian Serb leader Karadzic, who was indicted for war crimes in the conflict in Bosnia-Herzegovina that killed more than 200,000... The truth should be brought out through the proceedings in a calm manner, as the idea of ethnic cleansing is said to have existed among Croatians and others, as well. Each nation should work on ethnic reconciliation in order not to repeat past mistakes... In Serbia and elsewhere there is no future for narrow-minded, backward-looking nationalism."

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